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SUBJECT: R/V MCARTHUR CLEARANCE REQUEST

REF: STATE 171789

1. DEPT RECEIVED FOLLOWING FROM NOAA REGARDING REFTEL:

A. THE U.S. COAST GUARD HAS REQUESTED THAT THE NATIONAL OCEAN SURVEY CONDUCT LORAN-C COMPARISON TESTS IN THE STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA AND THE STRAIT OF GEORGIA. PREVIOUS FIELD TESTS OF OPERATIONAL LORAN-C CHAINS ON THE WEST COAST HAVE REVEALED DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN THE PREDICTED VALUES AND THE OBSERVED VALUES. THE PROJECT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE NOAA SHIP MCARTHUR. OUR RESEARCH CLEARANCE REQUEST OF JUNE 21, 1978, IS HEREBY AMENDED TO INCLUDE THESE TESTS AS AN ANCILLARY PROJECT.

B. THE REGION OF INVESTIGATION IS EXPANDED TO INCLUDE
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THE STRAIT OF GEORGIA, AS FAR NORTH AS VANCOUVER. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE SHIPBOARD COMPARISON CAN BE COMPLETED IN THREE WEEKS DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. WE ALSO ANTICIPATE THE PARTICIPATION OF THE CANADIAN HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICE AND THE CANADIAN COAST GUARD IN THIS PROJECT.

2. ACTION: PLEASE MODIFY CLEARANCE REQUEST AS NECESSARY.

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